

Amendments to the Specification

IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

Please add the following new section heading before line 1 on page 1:

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[001] This invention relates to a knife sharpening apparatus ~~according to the preamble of claim 1.~~

Please add the following new section heading before line 3 on page 1:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Please replace paragraph [0002] with the following amended paragraph:

[0002) ~~Such an apparatus is known from WO 02/34470 A1.~~  
Provided here on a base is a vertical plate having the sharpening rods mounted thereon with pins which are inserted through a recess in the plate and fastened with a counterscrew on the other side of the plate. Similarly, pins secured with corresponding counterscrews reach at the side of the plate. Similarly, pins secured with corresponding counterscrews reach at the other end of the sharpening rods through the curved guides formed as slots in the plate.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please add the following new section heading before line 3 on page 4:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0017] An embodiment of the inventive knife sharpening apparatus will hereinafter be explained more closely with reference to the enclosed drawing. The figures are described as follows:

| Figure 1———is a perspective view of the knife sharpening apparatus with the front member of the housing removed;

| Figure 2———is a plan view of the inner side of the front member of the housing;

| Figure 3———is a side view of the knife sharpening apparatus in the knife sharpening position; and

| Figures 4 and 5 are a side view and a plan view of the knife sharpening apparatus in the carrying position.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION